Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling a floor controller device, the floor controller device being a network component belonging to a group of network components in a communications network, the group of network components configured to receive a data stream from a data source, the method comprising the steps of:

the floor controller device selecting from the group of network components, a network component for controlling the data source;

receiving a control instruction from [[a]] the selected network component of the group of network components, the control instruction relating to a control of the data source; and

in response to receipt of the control instruction from the one of the group of network components, the floor controller device triggering translation of the control instruction into an appropriate session control command and forwarding the session control command to the data source.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of receiving a control instruction includes controlling the data stream.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of the floor controller device initiating a streaming, gaming or gambling session as part of the data stream.

5.   (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1, further comprising the floor controller <u>device</u> conferring direct access to the data source and floor control, temporarily to one of the group of network components.

6.   (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of the floor controller <u>device</u> passing control of the data source by instructing one of the network components to take over session control upon receipt of a request for session control from one of the network components.

7.   (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1, further comprising, establishing a session control channel for receiving control instructions only between the floor controller <u>device</u> and the selected network component of the group of network components.

8.   (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1, further comprising, establishing session control channels for receiving control instructions between the floor controller <u>device</u> and two or more network components of the group of network components.

9.   (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1, further comprising establishing a floor control channel between the floor controller <u>device</u> and one of the network components.

10.   (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1, the floor controller <u>device</u> performing one of an authentication and authorization relating to one of the network components and control instructions.

11. – 12.   (Cancelled)

13.   (Currently Amended)   A floor controller <u>device</u>, the floor controller <u>device</u> being a network component belonging to a group of network components[[,]] in a

communications network, the group of network components being configured to receive a data stream from a data source, the floor controller <u>device</u> comprising:

<u>a processor;</u>

<u>a memory coupled to the processor;</u>

<u>persistent storage, associated with the processor for storing instructions to control the floor controller;</u>

a selection unit for selecting one of the group of network components to control the data source;

a first interface for receiving control instructions from the one of the group of network components, the control instructions relating to a control of the data source; and

a second interface for the floor controller <u>device</u> triggering, in response to receipt of control instructions from the selected one of the group of network components, translation of the control instruction into an appropriate session control command and forwarding the session control command to the data source.

14. (Currently Amended) The floor controller of claim 13, wherein the floor controller <u>device</u> is a mobile or stationary terminal and is configured as a proxy component or is co-located with the data source.

15. - 31. (Canceled)

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